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CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL
PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 10 November 2008.

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DEPT. OF PLANNING & LAND USE

Item 1. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 1905 hours and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

- Planning Group members Pasek, Ulm, Slagill, Bowen, Walls, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, Harris, Myrick and Gabler were present, forming a quorum of 11.
- Planning Group members Crocker, Hertel and Smith were absent, but excused.
- Planning Group member Vandover was absent, not excused.
- Wally Riggs noted that the minutes of the meeting on 13 October 2008 need two corrections: 1) Change "Dehesa" to "Crest" on page 1, Item 3b, bullet 1, line 2; 2) Change "Subregion" to "Community planning area" on page 3, Item 7, line 5. Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of the meeting on 13 October 2008 with the suggested corrections. The motion passed (8 yes; 0 no; 3 abstain: Harris, Pasek and Bowen).
- There were no expense reimbursement requests.

Item 2. Announcements.

- Mary Manning, Harbison Canyon, announced that emergency response training classes are being organized for first aid and fire hydrant operation, that information is available from her about the Sheriff's Neighborhood Watch program, and that everyone is invited to the Harbison Canyon Community Center for a Christmas celebration on December 6, 3 to 6 pm, with Santa to arrive at 3 pm, followed by the Alpine Chorale singers at 4 pm, and a potluck dinner.
- Bill Bretz, Dehesa, announced that the Final EIR/EIS for the Sunrise Powerlink 500 Kilovolt Transmission Line Project has been distributed for review, and that the deadline is 5 pm, November 15, for submitting a protest of the BLM State Director's decision selecting a Preferred Alternative and approving a Resource Management Plan Amendment for the Powerlink Project; and that the BLM's Preferred Alternative includes a future expansion transmission line corridor that cuts through the Crest-Dehesa-Granite Hills-Harbison Canyon Subregion.
- Wally Riggs, Dehesa, announced that Otay Water District has scheduled a scoping meeting on 13 November, 7 pm at the Otay District Training Room concerning the Sycuan Tribe's application for annexation of the Sycuan Reservation into the District; that the Planning Group can consider providing comments on this issue at its December meeting; that a Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been announced for the Dyke Minor Subdivision, TPM 20899, Crest (Judy Bowen agreed to review the documents concerning this matter); that the County sent a letter to Teresa Christensen, applicant for a Large Capacity Child Care Facility permit, informing her that the proposed facility might create noise in excess of the County noise ordinance, and that she must immediately reduce the number of children at her existing business to 8 or less to become compliant with the regulations for a Small Day Care Facility.

Item 3b. Group Forum. No one requested to speak.

Item 3a. Open Forum.

- Jerry Standahl, Harbison Canyon, spoke and provided a handout to the Planning Group about the safety issue created by parking on St. George between Harbison Canyon Road and Ridge Trail; he requested the Group to consider proposing the establishment of a no parking zone where appropriate to assure uninterrupted access for emergency vehicles. (Chairperson Wally Riggs stated this matter would be included on the agenda of the Group's December meeting, for consideration of forwarding it to the Traffic Advisory Committee.)
- Don Parent, San Diego Gas and Electric, spoke to the meeting about SDG&E's proposal to employ a proactive power-line shutoff policy during times of Red Flag conditions of extreme wildfire risk, about the company's other operation and maintenance actions being employed to reduce the risk of its equipment igniting wildfires, about the company's program to raise community awareness of effective fire preparedness. He invited the community to attend a Fire Preparedness Community Meeting on Tuesday, 18 November, 6 – 8 pm, at the Alpine Community Center.

Item 4a. Committee Report. 2020 General Plan Steering Committee and Interest Group Update. Mary Manning reported on the 25 October meeting of the Steering Committee, informing the Group that first draft of the 2020 General Plan will be available for review on 14 November, with comments on it due by 16 January 2009; that on 15 November the Department of Planning and Land Use will hold a meeting to introduce its Service First Initiative which is intended to improve DPLU's service to Planning Groups as well as the general public; that comments are due 14 November on the proposed Public Road Standards; and that future topics of the Steering Committee will include water accessibility, renewable energy regulations, transfer of development rights and SDG&E's proposed proactive transmission shut off policy for wildfire risk reduction.

Item 4b. Committee Report. Subregional Community Boundaries Committee. Gary Crocker was not present to provide a report.

Item 5. Private Project Proposal. None.

Item 6a. Public Project Proposal. Community Plan Text Approval. Jack Vandover was not present to discuss the progress of the Group's edited version of the Subregional Community Plan text at DPLU.

Item 6b. Public Project Proposal. Mountain View Drive/Francis Drive Radar Recertification. Wally Riggs reported he was informed that a review of the collision data in the Mountain View Drive/Francis Drive case file led to a decision that the Traffic Advisory Committee can support recertification of a 45 mph radar zone.

Item 7. Unfinished Business. Verification of Adopted Trails Map. Wally Riggs displayed the map of the proposed County Trails system for which the County seeks verification

and approval from the Planning Group. Group members discussed the previous Group actions concerning the proposed Trails map, and also the number of trail entry points into the Crestridge Preserve shown on the map.

Bill Bretz moved that the Planning Group recommends removal of Trail #24 due to severe topographic constraints and because adjacent Trail #25 provides the desired connection with Jamul area trails; and that the Planning Group recommends the County Trails planner should be aware that the Crestridge Preserve management plan may limit trail entry points into the Preserve to fewer than those shown on the adopted County Trails map. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

Item 8a. New Business. Right Turn Lane on Dehesa Road at Harbison Canyon Road Intersection. Wally Riggs informed the Group that grants are available from the Tribal Special Funds Distribution Committee for eligible projects that help mitigate impacts of Tribal gaming casinos; that Planning Groups are not eligible for grants from this fund; but that the County is eligible.

Wally Riggs moved that the Planning Group requests the County Department of Public Works to apply for a grant from the Special Distribution Funds Committee for construction of a Right Turn Lane on eastbound Dehesa Road at the intersection with Harbison Canyon Road. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

Item 8b. New Business. Suncrest Road Grading for Emergency Egress from Crest. Pat Ulm led a Group discussion of the current conditions and Circulation Element status of Suncrest Road, and about the possibility of obtaining road-grading services from CALFire to maintain the road in a functional condition for emergency use.

Pat Ulm moved that the Planning Group requests CALFire to monitor the condition of Suncrest Road, and to grade it when needed, to maintain this road as a ready, functional emergency egress road for Crest. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

Item 8c. New Business. Hawkins Property, APN 513-020-05. Pat Ulm informed the Group that the Hawkins Property would be offered for sale at County auction in February 2009 due to non-payment of property taxes. This 4-acre parcel is adjacent to Southlane Park in Crest, and if purchased by the County for public use it could become an addition to the park, or a site for a public library.

Pat Ulm moved that the Planning Group recommends to Supervisor Jacobs that the County pursues purchase of APN 513-020-05 at 210 South Lane for addition to South Lane Park. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

Item 8d. New Business. Microwave Tower Removal. Pat Ulm recalled for the Group that the microwave antenna tower on Alta Lane in Crest was built and owned by a private party, but that it has not been used since about 1980 and appears to be abandoned. The Group discussed whether the non-use and abandonment of the microwave tower, and its current condition, could be a County code enforcement issue.

Pat Ulm moved that the Planning Group requests Department of Planning and Land Use Code Enforcement to investigate the permit conditions on APN XXX-XXX-XX on Alton Lane, concerning the removal of the abandoned microwave tower on this parcel. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

Item 9. Adjournment. At 2100 hours Pat Ulm moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William L. Bretz (Secretary)